

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) An inverter device ~~(2)~~ having two operation modes including a grid-connected operation mode where the inverter device is interconnected with a commercial power system ~~(14)~~, and an isolated operation mode where the inverter device is independent of said commercial power system ~~(14)~~ and performs an isolated operation, comprising:

an inverter unit ~~(4)~~ converting direct-current power received from a direct-current power supply into alternating-current power;

a control unit ~~(8)~~ controlling an action of said inverter device ~~(2)~~;

a grid-connected output terminal ~~(11)~~ for outputting the alternating-current power converted by said inverter unit ~~(4)~~,

said grid-connected output terminal ~~(11)~~ being a plug connectable to a commercial receptacle, commercial power from the commercial power system being supplied to the commercial receptacle; and

an isolated operation output terminal ~~(10)~~ provided on a path of a power supply line connecting said inverter unit ~~(4)~~ and said grid-connected output terminal ~~(11)~~, for outputting said alternating-current power,

said isolated operation output terminal ~~(10)~~ being a receptacle a load is connectable to, the load being supplied with said alternating-current power.

2. (currently amended) The inverter device according to claim 1, further comprising a switch unit ~~(7)~~ provided between said isolated operation output terminal ~~(10)~~ and said grid-connected output terminal ~~(11)~~ on the path of said power supply line, wherein

said control unit ~~(8)~~ brings said switch unit ~~(7)~~ into a non-conduction state when said grid-connected operation mode is terminated.

3. (currently amended) The inverter device according to claim 2, further comprising a manipulation unit (9)-capable of transmitting to said control unit (8)-a signal for instructing a start of an operation of said inverter unit (4), wherein

in a case where said control unit (8)-receives said signal from said manipulation unit (9) in said isolated operation mode, when said switch unit (7)-is in the non-conduction state, said control unit (8)-permits the operation of said inverter unit (4).

4. (currently amended) The inverter device according to claim 2, further comprising a current detecting unit (21)-provided between said inverter unit (4)-and said isolated operation output terminal (10)-on the path of said power supply line, for detecting whether or not a current flows therebetween, wherein

said control unit (8)-operates said inverter unit (4)-for a prescribed period of time when said control unit (8)-brings said switch unit (7)-into the non-conduction state, and said control unit (8)-continues an operation of said inverter unit (4)-when said current detecting unit (21) detects that the current flows for said prescribed period of time.

5. (currently amended) The inverter device according to claim 1, further comprising a housing (12)-having said grid-connected output terminal (11)-and said isolated operation output terminal (10)-integrally provided therein, wherein

said housing (12)-includes a plug accommodating unit (33)-capable of accommodating said grid-connected output terminal (11).

6. (currently amended) The inverter device according to claim 5, further comprising a manipulation unit (9)-capable of transmitting to said control unit (8)-a signal for instructing a start of an operation of said inverter unit (4), wherein

said plug accommodating unit (33)-has a plug accommodation detecting unit (35) detecting whether or not said grid-connected output terminal (11)-is accommodated in the plug accommodating unit (33), and

in a case where said control unit (8)-receives said signal from said manipulation unit (9) in said isolated operation mode, when said plug accommodation detecting unit (35)-detects that

said grid-connected output terminal ~~(11)~~ is accommodated in said plug accommodating unit ~~(33)~~,
said control unit ~~(8)~~ permits the operation of said inverter unit ~~(4)~~.

7. (currently amended) The inverter device according to claim 6, further comprising a
current detecting unit ~~(21)~~ provided between said inverter unit ~~(4)~~ and said isolated operation
output terminal ~~(10)~~ on the path of said power supply line, for detecting whether or not a current
flows therebetween, wherein

said control unit ~~(8)~~ operates said inverter unit ~~(4)~~ for a prescribed period of time
when said plug accommodation detecting unit ~~(35)~~ detects that said grid-connected output
terminal ~~(11)~~ is accommodated in said plug accommodating unit ~~(33)~~, and said control unit ~~(8)~~
continues the operation of said inverter unit ~~(4)~~ when said current detecting unit ~~(21)~~ detects that
the current flows for said prescribed period of time.